

A FATAL EXPLOSION.

Watered Stock of an Oil Company.

MORE FEDERAL APPOINTMENTS.

A Heavy Storm on Puget Sound.

Telegraph Lines and Railroads Blocked.

A Favorable Outlook.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—General Schofield this morning received the following telegram from General Miles, dated Rapid City, S. D., December 25th: "I have not heard from Colonel Carr for 36 hours. The Colonel started to intercept Big Foot. Should he have succeeded or if he turned him to the Cheyenne agency, it will be favorable, as General Brooke reports that a messenger from Little Wound says Big Road and Fast Thunder, leaders of the Indians who went to the Bad Lands, with about half the Indians there, are coming, and he thinks the rest will follow. Should not this be interrupted by some unforeseen event, it will be most favorable."

CAMP, NEAR BATTLE CREEK (S. D.), Dec. 26.—The weather is cold and the rivers are frozen solid. A company of Cheyenne scouts are encamped at the mouth of Battle Creek. Two attempts have been made by the hostiles, who number about 80, to break into their camp. The first attempt was made by only a few of the Indians, who were quickly repulsed with a loss of two killed and several wounded, and it is thought one was fatally hurt. The second attempt was made after dark by the whole band, led by Kicking Bear. Volly after volly was fired on both sides, and a desultory fire was kept up for an hour or more. It is not known how many hostiles were killed, but judging from the reports of scouts, there must have been several killed. Troops sent to the scene report everything quiet and no hostiles in sight.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—General Schofield has received a telegram from General Miles, dated Rapid City, December 24, as follows: Colonel Sumner reported his command at Big Foot's camp on the Cheyenne river, that Big Foot has assured him that he would do whatever he said, and bring all his people to Sumner's camp, but that the Indians deceived him and eluded his command, which going south in light order.

Destructive Windstorm.

SEATTLE (Wash.), Dec. 26.—This city was visited yesterday by the heaviest windstorm ever known here. The storm continued all day. Vessels in the harbor were torn from their moorings and tossed about like corks. Large trees and the telegraph and electric wires were laid low, and all railroad travel was suspended. Many buildings were demolished. The damage will be heavy. George Bell, a wood-chopper, was crushed to death in his tent by a falling tree.

A Few Appointments.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The President to-day appointed E. Darwin James of New York and Philip Garrett of Pennsylvania members of the Board of Indian Commissioners, vice W. H. Morgan, resigned, and Clinton B. Hick deceased. He also appointed Joseph W. Paddock of Nebraska Government Director of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, vice James W. Savage deceased.

One Man and Three Saloons Burned.

WEYAUWEGA (Wis.), Dec. 26.—A fire broke out in Lawler's Hall in Fremont early this morning. When it reached a store which was used as a saloon, an explosion took place which blew out the front of the building and killed Orrin Ennis, who was removing goods, and his body was entirely consumed. The fire also destroyed two adjoining saloons.

Watered Stock.

LEXA (O.), Dec. 26.—The Ohio Oil Company, which is the land department of the Standard Oil Company, has increased its capital stock from \$3,000,000 to \$8,000,000.

Fatal Powder Explosion.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—An explosion occurred this morning in the cartridge house of the American Forcible Powder Company at Lake Saratoga. Two men were killed.

A Damage Suit.

PORTLAND (Or.), Dec. 26.—Mrs. M. Collier to-day began suit in the Circuit Court against V. B. Delashmett, Mayor of this city, to recover the sum of \$10,400. The complaint is of the sensational nature, and is characterized by the defendant as an attempt to extort money.

A Social Gathering.

TRENTON (O.), Dec. 26.—At a dance here last night Edward Gallagher was shot through the heart, John Oliver was killed by a blow on the head with a stone, and Henry Ingalls was fatally injured. The trouble was over a woman.

BREVITIES.

Local and General Intelligence.
The "Straight Tip" Company arrived on this morning's overland.

The State's mad-house is attracting a good deal of quiet attention just now.

The Riverside Club will introduce several figures of the German at their party to-night.

The Reno Mill & Lumber Company again remembered its employees with fine Christmas turkeys.

At 5:20 P. M. yesterday the thermometer marked 46 deg., and at 7:30 this morning it was 26 deg. above zero.

Does your watch or clock need cleaning or repairing? If so, take them to Marcus Fredrick, who will put them in perfect order at a reasonable charge.

Those stylish and neat fitting overcoats being worn by the Reno people were bought at the White House, for less than they could be had in any San Francisco retail house.

Cyrus Hawley, wife and family have removed from Kansas and come to Reno to settle. Mr. Hawley is a brother-in-law of Ed. Bates. Nevada can make room for many families.

General C. W. Borton has leased for 30 days the store under the Gazette's office lately vacated by A. H. Manning, from which place he will soon commence the sale by auction of an immense stock of boots, shoes, clothing and dry goods.

The Gazette's Christmas storm is not forthcoming, but it is now over the Pacific ocean working its way, and if it can't go round us it will show up in a day or two. If it does not come, however, do not blame the Gazette for guessing wrong.

The way to make money is to save it. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the most economical medicine to buy, as it is the only medicine of which can truly be said, "100 doses one dollar." Do not take any other preparation if you have decided to buy Hood's Sarsaparilla.

A CHANGE OF FOREMAN.

A Letter Six Days on the Road Between Here and Wadsworth. WADSWORTH, Nev., Dec. 18, 1890. To Reno Gazette:—George Angus, familiarly called Judge, for many years foreman of the railroad shops here, left on the 16th inst. for Sacramento, to which place he was transferred. The Judge had many warm friends here, and especially among the railroad employees, to whom he was very much attached. On the evening of his departure a large number of his friends and fellow-workmen assembled at the Engineers and Firemen's Hall for the purpose of bidding their foreman farewell. A. J. Buckland, in a few well chosen remarks, presented Mr. Angus with an elegant gold watch and chain as a token of their respect and the high appreciation of his many good qualities. The choking sensation, which took possession of the Judge having passed after a moment, he accepted the token by assuring his friends that words were inadequate to express his sincere thanks, and that it was a genuine surprise to him; that he would treasure the gift for the remainder of his life for the many pleasant recollections it was sure to recall.

A. T. Clippenger, a gentleman of much experience, takes the place made vacant by Mr. Angus.

The Gazette's Christmas Number.
The Journal contains the following generous notice of the Gazette's Christmas number: "The Christmas number of the EVENING GAZETTE, issued last evening, was a very fine paper, and did credit to its proprietors. Besides its usual news of the day, the special features dedicated to important local affairs were well written and exceedingly interesting. The illustrations were well calculated to give an idea of the town and its schools and homes. The Journal takes pleasure in giving its cotem. the credit it deserves for issuing such a double sheet."

A lady sends the following, which shows that she appreciates a good paper: "Allen Brady—Dear Sir: The Christmas number of the GAZETTE is a gift in itself. Will you reserve half a dozen copies for me? I sent to the office this evening, but no one was there."

Sign Your Name.
A communication to the GAZETTE touching the elocutionary powers of a young lady is thrown in the waste basket for want of a signature. The GAZETTE has stated times enough that any letter to this office should be signed, not necessarily for publication, but as an evidence that we are not getting "steamed."

The Military Post.
A military gentleman is here, having just returned from Bidwell, looking into military affairs. It has been suggested that Reno interview him and endeavor to have a post established here.

A SEVERE STORM.

Which Greatly Impedes Travel.

SOME EXTREME COLD WEATHER.

Arrest of Nineteen Italian Counterfeiters.

A Terrible Railroad Slaughter in Ohio.

An Eastern Snow Storm.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The predicted snow storm arrived this morning, and the surface cars are making poor progress in spite of the fact that four horses are trying to do the usual work of two. The navigation of the rivers and bay are seriously interfered with. So far no accidents have been reported. This storm, which is promised to be the worst since the blizzard of March 1888, has been giving the South a taste of its quality since early yesterday morning. It worked its way up to from Louisiana to Tennessee. The storm depression is trying to get up an area of high barometer in Lower Canada, and as New York is in the center of the track she will have her full share of the depression. The Weather Bureau sent out a warning last night to all the offices of the Eastern railroads to look out for a heavy snow, and ordered that the northeast storm signals be hoisted all along the Atlantic coast from Norfolk to Boston, and along the gulf from Pensacola to New Orleans. A lunar halo of 23½ degrees' radius was in the heavens last night, which, with other remarkable feats performed by that luminary last night set every old weather dog along South street and the Battery busy prophesying violent ebullitions of nature in the very near future.

UTICA (N. Y.), Dec. 26.—A severe storm prevails throughout the Mohawk valley. Snow is falling and the trains of all railroads are late. The entire system of electric street railroads of this city is tied up.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 26.—Another big snow storm is raging here. It has been snowing steadily for eighteen hours with no indications of a cessation. Between 12 and 14 inches of snow has already fallen. The trains are all behind time, and the street car traffic on all but the cable roads is suspended.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The mails to-day were late in arriving, the most serious delays being to the Northern and Southwestern mails, over the Pennsylvania road.

SCRANTON (Penn.), Dec. 26.—Snow has been falling all day, and is now half a foot deep. The street cars are not running, and railway trains are delayed.

ASBURY PARK (N. J.), Dec. 26.—A heavy snow storm prevails here, and a three-mast schooner is stranded off the beach, which will probably be a total wreck.

Counterfeiters Arrested.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 26.—A conspiracy to flood the United States with counterfeit silver dollars has been unearthed. Nineteen persons are already under arrest and \$1,100 in spurious coin has been secured. The money was brought from New York to Pittsburgh by a gang of Italians employed to pass it. The money is all in silver dollars and is the best counterfeit of standard silver dollars ever made. Two Italians and their wives were arrested while trying to pass some spurious money. The house where they lived was surrounded and fifteen others were arrested and the counterfeit money secured. According to information given by the prisoners, similar gangs were sent out from New York to other cities, but the men could not tell what particular cities are being operated.

Traced to Bulgaria.

PARIS, Dec. 26.—Colonel Popoff, the chief of the Russian political detectives, is now in this city investigating the murder of General Selivskoff. He says Penewski, suspected of having killed Selivskoff, has been traced to Bulgaria, the only country from which he cannot be extradited.

Cannery Burned.

GILROY (Cal.), Dec. 26.—The Gilroy cannery was totally destroyed by fire last night. The building and plant were started in 1888. The value of the buildings and machinery was \$8,000; insurance, \$3,000. The fire is supposed to have been caused by tramps.

Deep Water Harbor Scheme.

By Associated Press.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The Senate Committee on Commerce to-day gave a hearing to F. L. Dana of Denver, H. Jones of Topeka, J. B. Clarke of Chicago and A. P. Chamberlain of Des Moines upon the bill introduced by Cullum to incorporate a transportation company. They appeared as a sub-committee appointed by the Interstate Deep Harbor Commission. They said they were backed by 15,000,000 people, and were here to look after the welfare of the West before Congress, and to secure an adequate appropriation from Congress to build a deep water harbor on the Texas coast. The sub-committee was appointed with the special object of establishing a line of steamers between the various ports of the Gulf of Mexico and the ports of Central and South America. It was determined to apply to Congress for a charter. The incorporators are men of wealth, with a capital exceeding \$15,000,000. The Committee on Commerce has not yet taken action on the bill.

Business Assignments.

By Associated Press.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—William H. Sandifer, dealer in diamonds and fine jewelry, assigned to-day.

COUNCIL BLUFFS (Iowa), Dec. 26.—Simon Eiseman of the firm of Henry Eiseman & Co., dry goods merchants, who assigned yesterday, estimates the liabilities of the firm at \$200,000 and the assets at \$300,000. The failure was a great surprise, as the firm was the largest and oldest retail dry goods house in Iowa. In addition to their house here they operated branch houses in Omaha and in the Missouri valley, which are included in the assignment, as is also the entire real and personal property of the firm. The failure is attributed to the stringency of the money market and the light trade.

DORHAM (Mass.), Dec. 26.—Walter Potter, a broker and trader of Boston, has been declared insolvent.

A Dull Market.

By Associated Press.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Stocks opened extremely dull, the only strength shown being in the lead trust, which advanced to 18, but failed to hold the improvement.

Union Pacific opened at 42½ and declined to 41½.

The dullness continued at 11 o'clock.

After 12 o'clock the pressure upon Union Pacific and Atchafson.

A dullness marked the trading during the latter part of the session, although a slight improvement was made in the active stocks.

The market closed dull and firm a shade under the first figures.

Death and Attempted Suicide.

By Associated Press.]

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 26.—Joseph Parisi de Hochkoffen, whose death occurred at National City yesterday, was the oldest son of an Austrian banker who lives at Trieste. His wife, who attempted suicide at the time of his death, is somewhat improved, but very low, with a small chance for recovery. She was an artist of considerable merit and a native of Germany. They were married in this country.

A Railroad Slaughter.

By Associated Press.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—A special from Caldwell, Ohio, says news has just been received there of a wreck on the Duck Creek railroad several miles from that city. Fifteen persons are reported killed and a number injured.

Died of Heart Disease.

By Associated Press.]

COLUMBIA (S. C.), Dec. 26.—W. D. Simpson, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of South Carolina, died at his home in this city this morning of heart disease.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

The railroad strike at Glasgow continues to keep business at a standstill.

The death is announced at Paris to-day of Mme. Rouher, widow of Eugene Rouher, Napoleon's friend, advisor and minister.

The thermometer at Lyndonville, Vt., was 40° below zero last night and 30° below this morning.

C. C. Jones, while resisting arrest at Elgin, Kan., to-day, was shot and instantly killed by an officer.

George H. Green was killed and his wife fatally injured to-day by being thrown out of a buggy at Williamantic, Conn.

A Straight Tip.

The following extracts are from Eastern papers.

One would naturally suppose that the numerous farce comedies had exhausted all the material in that line, but every situation in "A Straight Tip" is original, and every word of dialogue new, fresh and sparkling with a native spontaneity. Pantomime work of the cleverest and neatest kind cuts a large figure in the peculiarly winsome attractiveness of "A Straight Tip." Mr. Powers has the largest share in it, while that of Mr. Daly is almost equally strong. Then come in Miss Hanley, Miss Stacey, Miss Linden and others to add their quota.

At McKinnick's Opera House this evening. Tickets and reserved seats at S. J. Hodgkinson's drug store.

PERSONALS.

A. O. Porter still continues to improve.

C. W. Jones has returned from a visit to the Bay.

S. S. Sears, late Indian agent, was in town yesterday.

George B. Todhunter, formerly of Modoc county, Cal., was in town to-day.

Mrs. A. E. Cheeny is in from Eureka. The lady will remain several weeks.

D. H. Haskell, Southern Pacific town-site agent, arrived from San Francisco on this morning's overland.

Colonel Boyle, who spent Christmas with Chancellor Derby and family, took this morning's east-bound express.

Mrs. Webster Dorsey and little daughter, of Elko, are registered at the Riverside. They go below to-night.

H. L. W. Knox and son Charles left last evening for San Francisco, where the latter is to enter Heald's Business College.

Yesterday morning's overland carried ex-Chief Justice O. R. Leonard who was on his way to Ogden and Salt Lake, in one of which places, he is in company with J. H. MacMillan of Winnemucca, will open a law office.

D. J. Higgins, formerly manager of the Grand Central Hotel and now prosperously engaged in business at Truckee, Cal., blew in from the snow-y Sierras last Wednesday night to pass Christmas with Mr. O'Keefe and numerous friends. He returns home to-night, greatly increased in girth and avoirdupois.

W. W. Mason arrived from Downieville, Cal., on Wednesday and went through to Carson to spend Christmas with his family. Mr. Mason has been for several years prosecuting work on a tunnel near Downieville, to tap a gold deposit of great promise. The prospects are now more encouraging as soft rock has now been struck at a distance of 2,300 from the mouth of the tunnel.

News at Verdi.

VERDI, Nev., Dec. 25, 1890.

EDITOR GAZETTE: The school children of this district were handsomely treated Christmas eve to many presents sent to the Christmas tree for them by their friends and parents. After the tree had been stripped of its valuable burden it was boosted out of the hall and the young dancing folks enjoyed themselves until a late hour this morning. SKIDMOREHORN.

BORN.

DELICANTY—At Steamboat, December 15, 1890, to the wife of John Delicanty, a daughter.

MARRIED.

WILLIAMS—GILBERT—in Paradise Valley, Nev., December 25, 1890, E. L. Williams and Miss Betty Gilbert.

HADGNER—JOHNSON—in Lunenburg, Hampshire county, Nev., December 18, 1890, by Rev. Mr. Houghton, S. V. Hauger and Miss Olive C. Johnson.

DIED.

PACKARD—in Virginia City, Nev., December 25, 1890, Robert Packard, a native of New York, aged 62 years.

CRAIGHAD—in Tuscarora, Nev., December 22, 1890, W. G. Craighad, a native of Ohio, aged 52 years.

IS YOUR WIFE WELL?

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5 O'CLOCK EDITION.

THE Bankers' Monthly, which surely would not overestimate the matter, in speaking of the farm mortgages in six of our best States, gives the amount carried by each as follows: Kansas, \$235,000,000; Indiana, \$645,000,000; Iowa, \$567,000,000; Michigan, \$500,000,000; Wisconsin, \$357,000,000; Ohio, \$1,127,000,000.

Here are mortgages on the farms of only six States aggregating \$3,481,000,000, the interest on which at 6 per cent. amounts to over \$200,000,000. Now the whole production of gold and silver in the United States per year is not half enough to pay the interest on the farm mortgages of six States, and yet these same bankers are demanding the destruction of treasury notes, the demonetization of silver, and the establishment of a gold standard. And the farmer, what is he doing? Well, he is economizing, cursing the ring politician, but doing nothing towards relieving his burden. As long as the farmers stay at home on election day, and do not take interest enough in public affairs to get out and vote, just so long will they have to bear the load.

It is quite evident that Senator Jones does not care to play a hand at the reclamation of our desert lands. At the last meeting of the State Board of Trade the Secretary was instructed to write and invite him to name a day when he could meet with the Board to discuss a plan of State development. The letter was written and directed in care of the Palace Hotel, San Francisco, the headquarters of all of Nevada's Senators, but as yet no reply has been received. It is quite possible the Senator is at his Santa Monica home, or he may be at the Hoffman House, in New York, and has not yet received the communication, or it may be a polite way the Senator has of telling the people of this State how little he cares for their material interest. Possibly he thinks he has bought and paid for the office he holds, and that they have no right to claim a share of his wisdom on matters of such vital importance to our people as the reclamation of our arid lands.

THE Chicago Inter-Ocean estimates that a saloon-keeper can live and even get rich if he has twenty "regular customers." Of course the list has to be recruited often, as when the old customer gets to be a bum his patronage is no longer profitable. It is then that the boys of the family are gathered in.

THE treatment by the Czar of the Jews will reduce the natural sympathy which would be his when the time for his assassination shall come around, to the lowest point. Russia at best, says the Salt Lake Tribune, is only half civilized.

GOVERNOR TILMAN of South Carolina wants a national House of 600 members, with six Senators from each State. Governor Tillman is a growing man with expensive ideas.

MAINE must be an unhealthy State, or else it requires a great deal of alcohol for mechanical purposes. The authorized liquor sales for the past year amount to nearly \$80,000.

THE annual meeting of the State Board of Trade will be held at the Courthouse in Reno on the second Saturday in January. A full attendance is earnestly desired.

San Francisco Meat Market.
The following are the rates for whole carcasses from slaughterers to dealers in San Francisco:
BEEF—First quality, 66¢; second quality, 55¢; third quality, 45¢; 4¢ per lb.
PORK—Quotable at 19¢; 1¢ per lb.
MUTTON—Quotable at 19¢; 1¢ per lb.
LAMB—Quotable at 19¢; 1¢ per lb.
PORK—Live Hogs, on foot, grain fed, heavy, 33¢; dressed Hogs, 65¢ per lb.

A Sure Cure for Piles.
Itching Piles are known by moisture, like perspiration causing intense itching when warm. This form, as well as blind, bleeding and protruding, yield at once to Dr. Bosanko's Pile remedy, which acts directly on the parts affected, absorbs tumors, allays itching and effects a permanent cure. Dr. Bosanko's Pile remedy is sold by Dr. Bosanko, Piqua, O. Sold by S. J. Hodgkinson.

RENO MEDICAL MATTERS.

THE electrical instrument recently invented for avoiding the pain incident to the extraction of teeth has attracted considerable attention. Briefly, it consists of adjustable prongs, carrying buttons and connected with an electrical battery. The buttons are placed on the face over the nerves leading from the teeth to the brain, and a circuit is established the moment the extracting instrument touches the tooth.

A NUMBER of Philadelphia physicians and surgeons have organized an electro-therapeutic society for the discussion of questions of electricity combined with medicine and surgery. The main object of the society is to reduce the amount of emphyseum with which the practice of electro-therapeutics has hitherto frequently been associated, and to induce regularly certified practitioners to take up the subject on a scientific basis.

Tests on a number of different persons, an electrician has found the effective resistance of the human body to be less to the alternating than to the direct current in the same individual with a great variation in the resistance to either current in different persons. In five subjects the resistance to a continuous current of 50 volts ranged from 3,320 to 10,000. The tests revealed incidentally a striking difference in the strength of current different individuals can endure.

Some wonderful work has lately been done in the removal of diseased parts of the human body by electrolysis. Dr. Abrath, who has paid special attention to this branch of surgery, states that he has removed tumors and cancers with ease by electricity where no surgical interference with the knife was possible, cases which have baffled all medical and surgical treatment, including flutments or injections. Grown-up people who had been under hospital treatment and dismissed as incurable have thus escaped the horrors of suffocation or other miserable deaths. These he has had photographed in their perfectly cured state after electrical treatment. He not only finds that the electric current will kill the cancer cell beyond where the knife can go, but that hemorrhage and shock are more or less prevented with the use of electrolysis, and septicemia or pyemia, which so often follows removal with the knife, is nearly always avoided.

STRANGE AND CURIOUS TREES.

A Dr. Bors man has in his yard a palm tree in blossom, and a plum tree on which plums are now growing as large as nuts.

BEAR-HUNTERS in Fresno County, Cal., penetrating thick underbrush, came upon the biggest tree yet reported in that wonderful State. The rope that girdled it four feet from the ground was 129 feet 5 inches long.

NEAR Gifford Station, on the Staten Island railroad, there is a peculiar place of woodland, a spot where the roots of the trees will attach themselves to the trunks at from four to six feet above the level of the ground, giving to the stumps an odd, spiky appearance. The soil of the vicinity is very porous, which lends weight to the opinion that the banyan-like grove has been formed by the action of frost and water.

THE root of a California tree recently made a remarkable journey for the water of a sewer. It followed the sewer casing until it reached a high brick wall in which, several feet up, was a very small hole leading to the other side. This hole the root made a bee-line for, passed through it and ran down on the other side, where finally it found the water it sought. How did the tree know of the hole in the wall? How did it know that the sewer was on the other side?

WRITERS' CONVENIENCES.

A NEW inkling pad has an ink absorbent top of suitable felt cushioned by a plastic support that is composed of particles of cork or the like embedded in gelatine.

A NEW inkstand is made with a detachable stopper, and has a concave indentation in its top for the reception of the stopper when removed from the mouth of the bottle.

A NEW combination is an inkstand with a frame hinged to the rear portion of its base, having a flexible cover arranged to be drawn over the ink well. Attached to the frame is a plate adapted to carry a calendar.

A NEW machine for sharpening pencils is described as the combination of a positively rotated mandrel adapted to the pencil or equivalent work, and a grinding disc arranged edgewise in relation to the mandrel and inclined obliquely to the longitudinal axis thereof, whereby the work carried by the mandrel is rotated or turned simultaneously with the rotations of the grinding disc.

A CONTRIVANCE for opening letters speedily has been patented in Melbourne, Australia. The invention consists of the simple plan of fastening a thin piece of string across the upper edge of the envelope, just where the flap folds over, and when the letter is closed the ends of the string protrude about a quarter of an inch at each of the upper corners. By taking hold of the string a smart pull will open the envelope at the top in a fraction of a second, the paper being cut by the string as neatly as if a knife had been used.

The Greatest Diving Feat.

The greatest diving feat ever achieved was in moving the cargo of the ship Cape Horn, wrecked off the coast of South America, when a diver, named Hooper, made seven descents to a depth of 301 feet, remaining at one time forty-two minutes under the water. Siebe states that the greatest depth to which a man has been known to descend will not exceed 310 feet, which would be equivalent to a pressure of 89½ pounds per square inch.

Another Golden Opportunity.

Reno is the birth-place of one of the most successful and far-famed proprietary medicines that the world has ever known, which has not only made its promoters famous, but rich as well. Another remedy of equal or superior merits, and destined to attain proportionate success and fame, claims Reno for its home. To secure the speedy realization of this, the confidence and co-operation of our citizens is all that is needed. The stock-books of the California Cephaline Company are now open at Pinniger's drug store and contain the names of some Nevada's most influential citizens and business men. Parties wishing to subscribe for stock should do so at once by applying to the Secretary, or to Rev. J. W. Pendleton, President.

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Dr. Gun's Improved Liver Pills are a sure cure for sick headache, bilious complaints, dyspepsia, indigestion, costiveness, torpid liver, etc. These pills insure perfect digestion, correct the liver and stomach, regulate the bowels, purify and enrich the blood and make the skin clear. They also produce a good appetite, and invigorate and strengthen the entire system by their tonic action. Sold at 25 cents a box by S. J. Hodgkinson.

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Advice to Mothers.

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each; and apple trees 9 to 10 feet high 1.75

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each; and apple trees 12 to 13 feet high 2.50

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I have examined the advance sheets of "Our Family Physician" and give my hearty endorsement of its merits by the above remarks.

J. P. COOK, M.D., Professor in Burnett's Medical College, Chicago.

After examining the publication "Our Family Physician," which is a carefully endorsed the opinions expressed of its merits by the above remarks.

O. H. GALLUP, M.D., Professor of the Burnett Medical College.

The book contains a valuable chapter of symptoms, which will aid wonderfully in diagnosing diseases, and the proper remedy is given for Allopathic, Homeopathic, Eclectic, Hydropathic and Herbal treatment.

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The first of these is a model of its kind. It is chaste in language, contains no disgusting pictures for children, and is a most practical, sensible and reliable subject that has ever been printed.

This chapter alone is worth many times the cost of the book to every mother, even if it had to be purchased at its regular price. The other chapters referred to are equally well written and valuable. See "Our Family" on 4th page.

It is customary with newspapers to give premiums to new subscribers only; but the publishers of the "Family Physician" mean to revise this old rule; they intend to do as well, at least, by their old subscribers as they do by their new ones--those who have stood by the paper in years past, and paid their money for it "right straight along." We propose to show our appreciation of these friends in a substantial manner, and as the premium to be offered is expensive, and as our "press opinion" in offering it is to increase our list of subscribers, we will ask every old subscriber who may receive his list of subscribers, to constitute himself a missionary, and thus in securing at least ONE new subscriber. Come, and bring us one new name and get a book that will be of incalculable value to you.

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Friday, December 26, 1890

TIME TABLES.

The following tables give the time of arrival and departure of passenger trains at Reno.

ARRIVE	DEPART	CLASSES	LEAVE
10:10 p. m.	No. 1, Eastbound	Ex. 10:30 p. m.	
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Time of Arrival and Departure of Mails at Reno.

MAIL FOR	CLOSING	ARRIVES
San Francisco and Sacramento (through)	4:00	10:10
San Francisco, Sacramento and intermediate points	5:00	11:10
Ogden, all eastern points	8:30	11:40
V. & T. and all southern points	8:30	11:40
Susanville and all points north	11:00	11:30
Buffalo Meadows, Shoshone and head every Monday	12:00	12:00
(Arrive every Saturday)	11:30	11:30

JOTTINGS.

This cool frosty weather should remind you to at once secure a quantity of J. F. Aiken's dry firewood or hard coal.

Instead of traveling several blocks for a cold lunch, drop in at J. J. Becker's Chicago saloon for a hot midday meal.

The excellent quality of his stock of goods and the reasonable prices at which they were offered, was the cause of C. A. Thurston's immense Christmas sales.

W. T. Craig's efforts to sustain the well earned reputation of the Arcade Hotel and Restaurant are evidently appreciated, for he seems to have his full share of patronage.

E. C. Leadbetter, the Commercial Row grocer, established his present lucrative trade by carrying nothing but first-class goods and being satisfied with a reasonable profit.

The patrons of the Riverside Hotel are not obliged to walk to and from the trains, or to pay for the transportation of their baggage, as that comfortable, easy-riding bus is always at the trains.

So long as Richard Herz does business in Reno there will be no necessity for sending away from home for any goods in his line, for he keeps the best and sells as low as the same quality can be had anywhere.

People who have the means, should endeavor to find some little one whose parents were unable to present them with anything on Christmas day, and immediately go to C. J. Brookins' variety store for some little toy or picture book for such little unfortunates.

"Is this the best?" Is the question often asked, when medicine is wanted. The following are a few of the medicines of known reliability, sold by Shoemaker & Co., druggist of this place. They have many other excellent medicines, but these are worthy of special mention:

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, famous for its cures of severe colds, and as a preventive for croup. Price 50 cents per bottle.

Chamberlain's Pain Balm, a general family liniment and especially valuable for rheumatism. Price 50 cents per bottle.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, the most reliable known medicine for bowel complaints. It is especially prized by persons subject to colic. It has cured many cases of chronic diarrhoea. Price 25 and 50 cents per bottle.

St. Patrick's Pills, or disorders of the liver and bowels, a vigorous but gentle physic that cleanses and restores the whole system. Price 25 cents, per box.

Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment. For tetter, salt rheum, scald-head, eczema and chronic sore eyes. Price 25 cents.

The Pulpit and the Stage.

Rev. F. M. Shrontz, pastor of United Brethren Church, Blue Mound, Kansas, says: "I fell it my duty to tell what wonders Dr. King's New Discovery has done for me. My lungs were badly diseased and my parishioners thought I could live only a few weeks. I took five bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery and am sound and well, gaining 25 pounds in weight."

Arthur Love, Manager Love's Funny Folks Combination, writes: "After a thorough trial and convincing evidence, I am confident Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption beats 'em all, and cures when everything else fails. The greatest kindness I can do my many thousands of friends is to use them to try it. Free trial bottles at W. P. Fininger's drug store. Regular sizes 50c and \$1."

he question has been asked, "Is what respect are St. Patrick's Pills better than any other?" Try them. You will find that they produce a pleasant cathartic effect, are more certain in their action, and that they not only physic but cleanse the whole system and regulate the liver and bowels. For sale at 25 cents per box by Shoemaker & Co.

Spuch.

The transition from long, lingering and painful sickness to robust health marks an epoch in the life of the individual. Such a remarkable event is treasured in the memory and the agency whereby the good health has been attained is gratefully blessed.

Hence it is that so much is heard in praise of Electric Bitters. So many feel they owe their restoration to health to the use of the Great Alterative and Tonic. If you are troubled with any disease of the kidneys or liver or stomach, of long or short standing you will surely find relief by the use of Electric Bitters. Sold at 50c and \$1 per bottle at W. P. Fininger's drug store.

The Place to Buy.

A. Nelson, of the Free Intelligence Office, Virginia street, carries a fine stock of the best tobaccos, Havana and Key West cigars, notions, cutlery, gentlemen's underwear, overalls, buckskin gloves, suspenders and Dr. "Willey's" Discovery.

A Generous Offer.

I would give anything for relief from these headaches. It isn't necessary try friend, a dollar expended for Cephaline will bring you complete relief. All drug stores.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, oozes, sores, salt rheum, fever sores, chapped hands, chilblains, corns and all skin eruptions and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. 75c and 50c per box. Sold by W. P. Fininger.

Stranger.

Can you tell me what to do for this raging headache? Yes, get a bottle of Cephaline at any drug store. It never fails, no matter what the cause may be.

BECK'S REPLY.

Beck and Farmer Having a Little Tilt.

EDITOR GAZETTE: Will you kindly give space in your valuable paper for an answer to your correspondent signing himself "Farmer." As he asks me some direct questions, no doubt it will be of interest to many of your readers that I should be heard. And right here I want to assure you that what I have written and what I shall now write is not simply for the purpose of controversy—far from it, for I know you can't afford the use of your columns for all the bickering. As "Farmer" assures me he has no disposition to do aught that will wound the feelings of any one, but is simply seeking after the truth, let me say that I heartily join him in his wish that the discussion of home matters should lead to good results, for I think he must admit there is an irrepressible conflict going on in this community, and my opinion is that the whole trouble arises from the fact that we do not understand each other. A fair and candid interchange of thought will, I believe, do good. And here let me say that the comments of the GAZETTE Saturday evening on the communication of "Farmer" were timely and appropriate.

Now, I will take up the several questions of "Farmer" and answer. First he asks: "Have you not in the past bought your wheat in the cheap market—Utah and California—and then regulated the price of the farmers' wheat here by what that cost you, regardless of the price at which you sold your flour?"

As this query contains a number of questions, let me divide and answer one at a time. First there is the question, Did I not buy in the cheap market? I answer yes; and further answering, let me ask you what did you take me for? Did you expect me to lie about it and then try to justify? And further, did you expect my mill company to go to the dearest market? I guess you did not, for in that case my act would have been sufficient proof that I as manager of the mill should take up quarters in the Lunatic Asylum, and get waked up by a dose of Dr. Bishop's lightning battery. No, no, Mr. Farmer, I am not insane. Besides, I may say there is no precedent for it.

Now for the second installment of the query: "Did you not regulate the price of Washoe wheat by what the foreign grain cost?" I say, yes, sir; and as you refer to years ago, I will also refer to that time, for it will be remembered that in some respects the conditions have changed. I refer particularly to changes in freight. Ten years ago we paid our local farmers \$50 a ton. The same grade of wheat cost in California \$30, and the freight on the same was about \$20 from Sacramento. Was this a wrong and a crime? Is it not plain on its face that the farmer here got \$20 a ton more than the farmer in California? Was this a wrong? Do you not know that the limited amount raised here would not keep the mill running sixty days in the year?

Next you ask: "Do you not have to stand in with the Reno merchants to keep up the price of flour?" I answer no. So far as I am aware, these merchants are as anxious to buy cheap as anybody. Those merchants who buy our goods do so because they are equally good and equally cheap. The Riverside Mill Company can't get a cent more for their products than what the outside article costs here in carloads. Does "Farmer" know this? But I am at a loss to know just what he would have. Does he want a big price for wheat and then get his flour for a little price? If so, will he tell me how the thing can be done?

Now for a little history: Last spring my company imported some fifty tons of the very best wheat for seed that could be found in California. It cost in carloads one dollar and seventy cents at our mill. We sold it to those who wanted clean seed at cost, and agreed to pay the same price for the seed as they equally good and clean. The seed was sown, and within the last three months most of the crops have come in, not quite so clean as the seed, and this was mainly the fault of the thrasher, but in other respects as good as that sowed. Did the mill redeem its promise? Ask those interested.

In this connection it may not be out of place to make some comparisons. From time to time my company has bought wheat in several outside places, as, for instance, Sheridan and Lincoln, Cal.; Ogden and Nephi, in Utah; Honey Lake valley and Lovelock, on this side of the mountains. Within a week we have had offered to us wheat from these several places as follows, free on board the cars at place of shipment, which, compared with the price paid the farmers here, makes the showing stand thus: Sheridan and Lincoln, \$1.28; Honey Lake valley, \$1.25; Utah, \$1.15; Lovelock \$1.30; Reno, \$1.70.

If comment on these figures is necessary let those make it who think so. Now for the second part of "Farmer's" observations and queries. This is a somewhat delicate matter, as he refers more directly to the merchants, and as I am not one of them, they may not thank me for trying to answer. But as "Farmer" suggests that I was a merchant some years ago and am now a member of the Board of Trade, I will offer what I think is proper in the premises. First, he wants to know if I think the merchants are the enemies of the producers. This is a very singular query. If he wants to carry the inference that the merchants are the enemies of the producers, then I will say at once that the merchants can't afford to be the enemy of any person or interest in the community. As a matter of fact I have often thought that the policy pursued in some cases was not for the best interest of the State as well as not for theirs, and it was on this account that I wrote the article under the head of "More Soap." But I can't bring myself to believe that any one intentionally would break down any producer. As a matter of fact the welfare of the merchant must always depend to a large degree on the wel-

fare of his customers. Mr. M. surely can't as a merchant be benefited by any disaster that may overwhelm his customers. This being so, is not the converse of the proposition equally true, and as the farmers come directly under the head of producers, they certainly can gain nothing by the downfall of the merchant. And here let me ask if it is not a fact that a great deal of jealousy exists in the minds of many of our farmers against the town. I ask this because not long ago I heard two farmers agree that if it were not for supporting the town the farmers would get along well enough. Of course this idea is not general in any class. Thirteen years ago when the farmers' co-operative store started business in Reno I heard several of the leading members say that they had worked like slaves for many years and the stores had got all they made. Now I think that it might have been truly answered that the stores were not to blame, for presumably the farmers got value received and in too many instances even more, for it is a notorious fact that Reno for many years was the storekeeper's graveyard. So it must be evident that the merchants were not to blame for all the woes of the farmer. Yes, I was once a storekeeper and I can't help but recall the fact that I lost over five thousand dollars, and if my customers did not get the benefit of it, will some one tell me what become of it? I think one of the great troubles with the masses of the people is the exaggerated ideas they receive and in too many cases even more, for it is a notorious fact that Reno for many years was the storekeeper's graveyard. So it must be evident that the merchants were not to blame for all the woes of the farmer. 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